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Thanks Shannon.

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**Subject:** Wild Rice Sulfate Standard Study Update

Hey everyone --

I hope you are all having a great start to the fall season! It was good to see so many of you at our scientific peer review meeting in St. Paul last month. I wanted to provide an update about what we have been working on in the last few weeks and our anticipated next steps going forward.

We are currently waiting for the final peer review report from ERG, which we expect to receive in the next couple days. Once we receive this, we will share with all of you and post on the MPCA website, as well.

Meanwhile, we are in the process of reviewing our notes from the peer review, reflecting on what we heard, and identifying and prioritizing additional analyses that we will do based on feedback from peer reviewers and comments you all provided, as well. We will also review the

ERG final report for any additional feedback it might provide. We expect that we will spend the next couple months through the end of the year working on these additional analyses, rewriting parts of the Draft Analysis, and determining if and what might be needed for a technical support document for any future rulemaking. Once we have reviewed and digested the peer review report we expect to be able to give you a more solid timeline for those ongoing activities. While we do intend to schedule another Advisory Committee meeting to discuss the peer review and our next steps, I don't anticipate that occurring for another six weeks or more.

We have also been getting requests to present on the status of the Wild Rice Standards Study effort (for example, we'll be at the Water Resources Conference and the Conference on the Environment in the next month, as well as a couple meetings along the Iron Range). If any of you are interested, we'd be happy to present at any event or meetings that you may be holding. Please note that until our further analyses are done, our presentations will focus on sharing the completed analysis to date (i.e. the Draft Analysis shared with the peer reviewers), and the process and next steps.

That's it for now...please let us know if you have any speaking requests, and as always, please feel free to get in touch with me if you have other questions as well.

Kind regards,

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